## ORDINANCE NO. 08-

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEESBURG, AMENDING THE RETIREMENT PLAN FOR THE GENERAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE CITY OF LEESBURG, ADOPTED **PURSUANT** TO **ORDINANCE** NO. 03-57, SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED; AMENDING SECTION 1, DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTION 3, BOARD OF TRUSTEES; AMENDING SECTION 6, BENEFIT AMOUNTS AND ELIGIBILITY; AMENDING SECTION 9, VESTING, 10, AMENDING **SECTION OPTIONAL FORMS** BENEFITS; **AMENDING SECTION** 14, 15, PENSION; **AMENDING SECTION MINIMUM** DISTRIBUTION OF BENEFITS; AMENDING SECTION 16, MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS; AMENDING SECTION 17, REPEAL OR TERMINATION OF SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTION 20, FORFEITURE OF PENSION; AMENDING 22, DIRECT **TRANSFERS** SECTION OF ELIGIBLE ROLLOVER **ELIMINATION** DISTRIBUTIONS, MANDATORY DISTRIBUTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 24, SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT FOR MILITARY SERVICE; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

# BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LEESBURG, FLORIDA;

**SECTION 1**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended to amend Section 1, Definitions, to amend the definitions of "Actuarial Equivalent", "Credited Service" and "Salary", to read as follows:

Actuarial Equivalent means a benefit or amount of equal value, determined on the basis of actuarial equivalency using assumptions adopted by the Board such that benefit calculations are not subject to City discretion.

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<u>Credited Service</u> means the total number of years and fractional parts of years as a General Employee with Member contributions, when required, omitting intervening years or fractional parts of years when such Member was not employed by the City as a General Employee. A Member may voluntarily leave his Accumulated Contributions in the Fund for a period of five (5) years after

leaving the employ of the City pending the possibility of being reemployed as a General Employee, without losing credit for the time that he was a Member of the System. If a Member who is not vested is not reemployed as a General Employee within five (5) years, his Accumulated Contributions, if one-thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or less, will be returned. If a vested Member leaves the employ of the City, his Accumulated Contributions will be returned only upon his written request. If a Member who is not vested is not reemployed within five (5) years, his Accumulated Contributions, if more than one-thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), will be returned only upon the written request of the Member and upon completion of a written election to receive a cash lump sum or to rollover the lump sum amount on forms designated by the Board. Upon return of a Member's Accumulated Contributions, all of his rights and benefits under the System are forfeited and terminated.

For any Member who retires on or after October 1, 1993 with at least fifteen (15) years of Credited Service under this System, the term "Credited Service" shall also include up to a maximum of four (4) years of active military service in the Armed Forces of the United States prior to his employment with the City. However, any Member who previously retired from the Armed Forces of the United States on a continuing military service pension shall not be eligible to receive this additional Credited Services hereunder.

The period of any absence of thirty-one (31) days or more shall be excluded from a Member's Credited Service unless he receives regular compensation from the City during such absence. Any absence of thirty (30) days or less shall be included in such Member's Credited Service.

In the event that a Member of this System has also accumulated Credited Service in another pension system maintained by the City, then such other Credited Service shall be used in determining vesting as provided for in Section 9, and for determining eligibility for early or normal retirement. Such other Credited Service will not be considered in determining benefits under this System. Only his Credited Service and Salary under this System on or after his date of membership in this System will be considered for benefit calculation. In addition, any benefit calculation for a Member of this System who is or becomes eligible for a benefit from this System after he has become a member of another pension system maintained by the City, shall be based upon the Members's Average Final

Compensation, Credited Service and the benefit accrual rate as of the date the Member ceases to be a General Employee.

The years or parts of a year that a member performs "Qualified Military Service" consisting of voluntary or involuntary "service in the uniformed services" as defined in the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) (P.L.103-353), after separation from employment as a General Employee to perform training or service, shall be added to his years of Credited Service for all purposes, including vesting, provided that:

- A. The Member is entitled to reemployment under the provisions of USERRA.
- B. The Member returns to his employment as a General Employee within one (1) year following the earlier of the date of his military discharge or his release from service, unless otherwise required by USERRA.
- C. No contribution shall be required by the Member for the first two (2) years of absence described in this Section. For absences in excess of two (2) years (i.e. years 3, 4 and 5), the Member must deposit into the Fund the same sum that the Member would have contributed, if any, if he had remained a General Employee during years 3, 4 and 5. The maximum credit for military service pursuant to this subdivision shall be five (5) years. The Member must deposit all missed contributions within a period equal to three times the period of military service, but not more than five (5) years, following re-employment or he will forfeit the right to receive credited service for his military service pursuant to this paragraph.
- D. This paragraph is intended to satisfy the minimum requirements of USERRA. To the extent that this paragraph does not meet the minimum standards of USERRA, as it may be amended from time to time, the minimum standards shall apply.

In the event a Member dies on or after January 1, 2007, while performing USERRA Qualified Military Service, the beneficiaries of the Member are entitled to any benefits (other than benefit accruals relating to the period of qualified military service) as if the Member had resumed employment and then died while employed.

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Salary means basic compensation for services rendered to the City as a General Employee reportable as wages on the Member's W-2 form, excluding overtime pay, shift differential, stand-by pay, lump sum payments of vacation pay due, payment for accrued sick leave, severance pay, bonuses, expense allowances and all other forms of extraordinary compensation, and plus all tax deferred, tax sheltered or tax exempt items of income derived from elective employee payroll deductions or salary reductions otherwise includible in basic compensation. Compensation in excess of the limitations set forth in Section 401(a)(17) of the Code as of the first day of the Plan Year shall be disregarded for any purpose, including employee contributions or any benefit calculations. The annual compensation of each member taken into account in determining benefits or employee contributions for any Plan Year beginning on or after January 1, 2002, may not exceed \$200,000, as adjusted for cost-of-living increases in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(17)(B). Compensation means compensation during the fiscal year. The cost-of-living adjustment in effect for a calendar year applies to annual compensation for the determination period that begins with or within such calendar year. If the determination period consists of fewer than 12 months, the annual compensation limit is an amount equal to the otherwise applicable annual compensation limit multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of months in the short determination period, and the denominator of which is 12. If the compensation for any prior determination period is taken into account in determining a Member's contributions or benefits for the current Plan Year, the compensation for such prior determination period is subject to the applicable annual compensation limit in effect for that prior period. The limitation on compensation for an "eligible employee" shall not be less than the amount which was allowed to be taken into account hereunder as in effect on July 1, 1993. "Eligible employee" is an individual who was a Member before the first Plan Year beginning after December 31, 1995.

**SECTION 2**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by amending Section 3, Board of Trustees, subsection 1., to read as follows:

1. The sole and exclusive administration of and responsibility for the proper operation of the System and for making effective the provisions of this ordinance is hereby vested in a Board of Trustees. The Board is hereby designated as the plan administrator. The Board shall consist of seven (7) Trustees, one (1) of whom, unless otherwise prohibited by law, shall be a resident of the City of Leesburg who shall be appointed by the Leesburg City Commission, three (3) of whom shall be the City Manager or a person designated by the City Manager, the Human Resources Director, and another department head appointed by the City Manager, two (2) of whom shall be Members of the System, who shall be elected by a majority of the General Employees who are not certified Police Officers and who are Members of the System and one (1) of whom shall be a Member of the System and a certified Police Officer who shall be elected by a majority of the certified Police Officers who are Members of the System. The City Commission appointed Trustee shall serve as Trustee for a period of three (3) years, unless he sooner vacates the office or is sooner replaced by the Leesburg City Commission at whose pleasure he shall serve. Trustees designated by the City Manager designates a Trustee, the Trustee shall serve as Trustee for a period of three (3) years, unless he sooner vacates the office or is sooner replaced by the City Manager at whose pleasure he shall serve. Each Member Trustee shall serve as Trustee for a period of three (3) years, unless he sooner leaves the employment of the City as a General Employee (or Police Officer in the case of the Police Officer Trustee) or otherwise vacates his office as Trustee, whereupon a successor shall be chosen in the same manner as the departing Trustee. Each Trustee may succeed himself in office. DROP participants can be elected as and vote for elected Trustees. The Board shall establish and administer the nominating and election procedures for each election. The Board shall meet at least quarterly each year. The Board shall be a legal entity with, in addition to other powers and responsibilities contained herein, the power to bring and defend lawsuits of every kind, nature, and description.

**SECTION 3**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by amending Section 6, Benefit Amounts and Eligibility, to add subsection 7. Required Distribution Date, to read as follows:

# 7. Required Distribution Date.

The Member's benefit under this Section must begin to be distributed to the Member no later than April 1 of the calendar year following the later of the calendar year in which the Member attains age seventy and one-half  $(70\frac{1}{2})$  or the calendar year in which the Member terminates employment with the City.

**SECTION 4**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by amending Section 9, Vesting, to read as follows:

# **SECTION 9. VESTING.**

If a Member terminates his employment as a General Employee, either voluntarily or by discharge, and is not eligible for any other benefits under this System, the Member shall be entitled to the following:

- 1. If the Member has less than five (5) years of Credited Service upon termination, the Member shall be entitled to a refund of his Accumulated Contributions, if any, or the Member may leave it deposited with the Fund.
- 2. If the Member has five (5) or more years of Credited Service upon termination, the Member shall be entitled to a monthly retirement benefit, determined in the same manner as for normal or early retirement and based upon the Member's Credited Service, Average Final Compensation, and the benefit accrual rate as of the date of termination, payable to him commencing at the Member's otherwise normal or early retirement date, based upon the Member's actual years of Credited Service, provided he does not elect to withdraw his Accumulated Contributions, if any, and provided the Member survives to his otherwise normal or early retirement date. If the Member does not withdraw his Accumulated Contributions and does not survive to his otherwise normal or early retirement date, his designated Beneficiary shall be entitled to a benefit as provided in

subsection 4 of Section 7. In addition, any person who was a member on July 17, 2008 and who had at least one (1) year of Credited Service and who subsequently terminated employment shall be deemed vested and shall receive a vested benefit as determined above and beginning on the dates provided above.

**SECTION 5**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended to amend Section 10, Optional Forms of Benefits, by amending subsection 1.B., adding subsection 5.E., and amending subsection 7., to read as follows:

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B. A retirement income of a modified monthly amount, payable to the Retiree during the lifetime of the Retiree and following the death of the Retiree, one hundred percent (100%), seventy-five percent (75%), sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) or fifty percent (50%) of such monthly amount payable to a joint pensioner for his lifetime. Except where the Retiree's joint pensioner is his spouse, the payments to the joint pensioner as a percentage of the payments to the Retiree shall not exceed the applicable percentage provided for in the applicable table in the Treasury regulations. (See Q & A-2 of 1.401(a)(9)-6)

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5. E. The Member's benefit under this Section must begin to be distributed to the Member no later than April 1 of the calendar year following the later of the calendar year in which the Member attains age seventy and one-half (70½) or the calendar year in which the Member terminates employment with the City.

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7. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Board in its discretion, may elect to make a lump sum payment to a Member or a Member's Beneficiary in the event that the total commuted value of the monthly income payments to be paid do not exceed one thousand dollars

(\$1,000). Any such payment made to any person pursuant to the power and discretion conferred upon the Board by the preceding sentence shall operate as a complete discharge of all obligations under the System with regard to such Member and shall not be subject to review by anyone, but shall be final, binding and conclusive on all persons.

**SECTION** 6: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by amending Section 14, Maximum Pension, to read as follows:

## **SECTION 14. MAXIMUM PENSION**.

## 1. Basic Limitation.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this System to the contrary, the Member contributions paid to, and retirement benefits paid from, the System shall be limited to such extent as may be necessary to conform to the requirements of Code Section 415 for a qualified retirement plan. Before January 1, 1995, a plan member may not receive an annual benefit that exceeds the limits specified in Code Section 415(b), subject to the applicable adjustments in that section. On and after January 1, 1995, a plan member may not receive an annual benefit that exceeds the dollar amount specified in Code Section 415(b)(1)(A) (\$160,000), subject to the applicable adjustments in Code Section 415(b) and subject to any additional limits that may be specified in this System. For purposes of this Section, "limitation year" shall be the calendar year.

# 2. Adjustments to Basic Limitation for Form of Benefit.

If the form of benefit without regard to any benefit increase feature is not a straight life annuity, then the Code Section 415(b) limit applicable at the annuity starting date is reduced to an actuarially equivalent amount (determined using the assumptions specified in Treasury Regulation Section 1.415(b)-1(c)(2)(ii)) that takes into account the death benefits under the form of benefit.

# 3. Benefits Not Taken into Account.

For purposes of this Section, the following benefits shall not be taken into account in applying these limits:

A. Any ancillary benefit which is not directly related to retirement income benefits;

B. Any other benefit not required under §415(b)(2) of the Code and Regulations thereunder to be taken into account for purposes of the limitation of Code Section 415(b)(1).

## 4. COLA Effect.

Effective on and after January 1, 2003, for purposes of applying the limits under Code Section 415(b) (the "Limit"), the following will apply:

- A. A Member's applicable limit will be applied to the Member's annual benefit in the Member's first calendar year of benefit payments without regard to any automatic cost of living adjustments;
- B. thereafter, in any subsequent calendar year, a Member's annual benefit, including any automatic cost of living increases, shall be tested under the then applicable benefit limit including any adjustment to the Code Section 415(b)(1)(A) dollar limit under Code Section 415(d), and the regulations thereunder; but
- C. in no event shall a Member's benefit payable under the System in any calendar year be greater than the limit applicable at the annuity starting date, as increased in subsequent years pursuant to Code Section 415(d) and the regulations thereunder.

Unless otherwise specified in the System, for purposes of applying the limits under Code Section 415(b), a Member's applicable limit will be applied taking into consideration cost of living increases as required by Section 415(b) of the Internal Revenue Code and applicable Treasury Regulations.

# 5. Other Adjustments in Limitations.

A. In the event the Member's retirement benefits become payable before age sixty-two (62), the limit prescribed by this Section shall be reduced in accordance with regulations issued by the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 415(b) of the Code, so that such limit (as so reduced) equals an annual straight life benefit (when such retirement

- income benefit begins) which is equivalent to a one hundred sixty thousand dollar (\$160,000) annual benefit beginning at age sixty-two (62).
- B. In the event the Member's benefit is based on at least fifteen (15) years of Credited Service as a full-time employee of the police or fire department of the City, the adjustments provided for in A. above shall not apply.
- C. The reductions provided for in A. above shall not be applicable to disability benefits pursuant to Section 8, or pre-retirement death benefits paid pursuant to Section 7.
- D. In the event the Member's retirement benefit becomes payable after age sixty-five (65), for purposes of determining whether this benefit meets the limit set forth in subsection 1 herein, such benefit shall be adjusted so that it is actuarially equivalent to the benefit beginning at age sixty-five (65). This adjustment shall be made in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate.

# 6. Less than Ten (10) Years of Service.

The maximum retirement benefits payable under this Section to any Member who has completed less than ten (10) years of Credited Service with the City shall be the amount determined under subsection 1 of this Section multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of the Member's years of Credited Service and the denominator of which is ten (10). The reduction provided by this subsection cannot reduce the maximum benefit below 10%. The reduction provided for in this subsection shall not be applicable to disability benefits paid pursuant to Section 8, or preretirement death benefits paid pursuant to Section 7.

## 7. Participation in Other Defined Benefit Plans.

The limit of this Section with respect to any Member who at any time has been a member in any other defined benefit plan as defined in Code Section 414(j) maintained by the City shall apply as if the total benefits payable under all City defined benefit plans in which the Member has been a member were payable from one (1) plan.

# 8. Ten Thousand Dollar (\$10,000) Limit.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the retirement benefit payable with respect to a Member shall be deemed not to exceed the limit set forth in this Section if the benefits payable, with respect to such Member under this System and under all other qualified defined benefit pension plans to which the City contributes, do not exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the applicable Plan Year and for any prior Plan Year and the City has not any time maintained a qualified defined contribution plan in which the Member participated.

# 9. Reduction of Benefits.

Reduction of benefits and/or contributions to all plans, where required, shall be accomplished by first reducing the Member's benefit under any defined benefit plans in which Member participated, such reduction to be made first with respect to the plan in which Member most recently accrued benefits and thereafter in such priority as shall be determined by the Board and the plan administrator of such other plans, and next, by reducing or allocating excess forfeitures for defined contribution plans in which the Member participated, such reduction to be made first with respect to the plan in which Member most recently accrued benefits and thereafter in such priority as shall be established by the Board and the plan administrator for such other plans provided, however, that necessary reductions may be made in a different manner and priority pursuant to the agreement of the Board and the plan administrator of all other plans covering such Member

# 10. Service Credit Purchase Limits.

- A. Effective for permissive service credit contributions made in limitation years beginning after December 31, 1997, if a Member makes one or more contributions to purchase permissive service credit under the System, as allowed in Section 25, then the requirements of this Section will be treated as met only if:
  - (1) the requirements of Code Section 415(b) are met, determined by treating the accrued benefit derived from all such contributions as an annual benefit for purposes of Code Section 415(b), or

- (2) the requirements of Code Section 415(c) are met, determined by treating all such contributions as annual additions for purposes of Code Section 415(c).
- (3) For purposes of applying subparagraph (1), the System will not fail to meet the reduced limit under Code Section 415(b)(2)(c) solely by reason of this subparagraph (3), and for purposes of applying subparagraph (2) the System will not fail to meet the percentage limitation under Section 415(c)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code solely by reason of this subparagraph (3).
- B. For purposes of this subsection the term "permissive service credit" means service credit—
  - (1) recognized by the System for purposes of calculating a Member's benefit under the plan,
  - (2) which such Member has not received under the plan, and
  - (3) which such Member may receive only by making a voluntary additional contribution, in an amount determined under the System, which does not exceed the amount necessary to fund the benefit attributable to such service credit.

Effective for permissive service credit contributions made in limitation years beginning after December 31, 1997, such term may, if otherwise provided by the System, include service credit for periods for which there is no performance of service, and, notwithstanding clause B.(2), may include service credited in order to provide an increased benefit for service credit which a Member is receiving under the System.

C. For purposes of applying the limits in this subsection 10., only and for no other purpose, the definition of compensation where applicable will be compensation actually paid or made available during a calendar year, except as noted below and as permitted by Treasury Regulations Section 1.415(c)-2,

or successor regulations. Unless another definition of compensation that is permitted by Treasury Regulations Section 1.415(c)-2, or successor regulation, is specified by the System, compensation will be defined as wages within the meaning of Code Section 3401(a) and all other payments of compensation to an employee by an employer for which the employer is required to furnish the employee a written statement under Code Sections 6041(d), 6051(a)(3) and 6052 and will be determined without regard to any rules under Code Section 3401(a) that limit the remuneration included in wages based on the nature or location of the employment or the services performed (such as the exception for agricultural labor in Code Section 3401(a)(2).

- (1) However, for calendar years beginning after December 31, 1997, compensation will also include amounts that would otherwise be included in compensation but for an election under Code Sections 125(a), 402(e)(3), 402(h)(1)(B), 402(k), or 457(b). For calendar years beginning after December 31, 2000, compensation will also include any elective amounts that are not includible in the gross income of the employee by reason of Code Section 132(f)(4).
- (2) For limitation years beginning on and after January 1, 2007, compensation for the calendar year will also include compensation paid by the later of 2½ months after an employee's severance from employment or the end of the calendar year that includes the date of the employee's severance from employment if:
  - (a) the payment is regular compensation for services during the employee's regular working hours, or compensation for services outside the employee's regular working hours (such as overtime or shift differential), commissions, bonuses or other similar payments, and, absent a severance from

- employment, the payments would have been paid to the employee while the employee continued in employment with the employer; or
- (b) the payment is for unused accrued bona fide sick, vacation or other leave that the employee would have been able to use if employment had continued.
- (3) Back pay, within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.415(c)-2(g)(8), shall be treated as compensation for the limitation year to which the back pay relates to the extent the back pay represents wages and compensation that would otherwise be included under this definition.
- D. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Board may modify a request by a Member to make a contribution to the System if the amount of the contribution would exceed the limits provided in Code Section 415 by using the following methods:
  - (1) If the law requires a lump sum payment for the purchase of service credit, the Board may establish a periodic payment deduction plan for the Member to avoid a contribution in excess of the limits under Code Sections 415(c) or 415(n).
  - (2) If payment pursuant to subparagraph (1) will not avoid a contribution in excess of the limits imposed by Code Section 415(c), the Board may either reduce the Member's contribution to an amount within the limits of that section or refuse the Member's contribution.

## 11. Additional Limitation on Pension Benefits.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary:

A. The normal retirement benefit or pension payable to a Retiree who becomes a Member of the System and who has not previously participated in such System, on or after January 1, 1980, shall not exceed one hundred percent

- (100%) of his Average Final Compensation. However, nothing contained in this Section shall apply to supplemental retirement benefits or to pension increases attributable to cost-of-living increases or adjustments.
- B. No Member of the System shall be allowed to receive a retirement benefit or pension which is in part or in whole based upon any service with respect to which the Member is already receiving, or will receive in the future, a retirement benefit or pension from a different employer's retirement system or plan. This restriction does not apply to social security benefits or federal benefits under Chapter 67, Title 10, U.S. Code.

**SECTION 7**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by amending Section 15, Minimum Distribution of Benefits, to read as follows:

#### SECTION 15. MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION OF BENEFITS.

## 1. General Rules.

- A. Effective Date. Effective as of January 1, 1989, the Plan will pay all benefits in accordance with a good faith interpretation of the requirements of Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(9) and the regulations in effect under that section, as applicable to a governmental plan within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code Section 414(d). Effective on and after January 1, 2003, the Plan is also subject to the specific provisions contained in this Section. The provisions of this Section will apply for purposes of determining required minimum distributions for calendar years beginning with the 2003 calendar year.
- B. <u>Precedence</u>. The requirements of this Section will take precedence over any inconsistent provisions of the Plan.
- C. <u>TEFRA Section 242(b)(2) Elections</u>. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Section other than this subsection 1.C., distributions may be made under a designation made before January 1, 1984, in accordance with Section

242(b)(2) of the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) and the provisions of the plan that related to Section 242(b)(2) of TEFRA.

# 2. Time and Manner of Distribution.

- A. Required Beginning Date. The Member's entire interest will be distributed, or begin to be distributed, to the Member no later than the Member's required beginning date which shall not be later than April 1 of the calendar year following the later of the calendar year in which the Member attains age seventy and one-half (70 ½) or the calendar year in which the Member terminates employment with the City.
- B. <u>Death of Member Before Distributions Begin</u>. If the Member dies before distributions begin, the Member's entire interest will be distributed, or begin to be distributed no later than as follows:
  - (1) If the Member's surviving spouse is the Member's sole designated beneficiary, then distributions to the surviving spouse will begin by December 31 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Member died, or by a date on or before December 31 of the calendar year in which the Member would have attained age 70 ½, if later, as the surviving spouse elects.
  - (2) If the Member's surviving spouse is not the Member's sole designated beneficiary, then, distributions to the designated beneficiary will begin by December 31 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the Member died.
  - (3) If there is no designated beneficiary as of September 30 of the year following the year of the Member's death, the Member's entire interest will be distributed by December 31 of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the Member's death.

(4) If the Member's surviving spouse is the Member's sole designated beneficiary and the surviving spouse dies after the Member but before distributions to the surviving spouse begin, this subsection 2.B., other than subsection 2.B.(1), will apply as if the surviving spouse were the Member.

For purposes of this subsection 2.B. and subsection 5., distributions are considered to begin on the Member's required beginning date or, if subsection 2.B.(4) applies, the date of distributions are required to begin to the surviving spouse under subsection 2.B.(1). If annuity payments irrevocably commence to the Member before the Member's required beginning date (or to the Member's surviving spouse before the date distributions are required to begin to the surviving spouse under subsection 2.B.(1)), the date distributions are considered to begin is the date distributions actually commence.

- C. <u>Death After Distributions Begin</u>. If the Member dies after the required distribution of benefits has begun, the remaining portion of the Member's interest must be distributed at least as rapidly as under the method of distribution before the Member's death.
- D. Form of Distribution. Unless the Member's interest is distributed in the form of an annuity purchased from an insurance company or in a single sum on or before the required beginning date, as of the first distribution calendar year distributions will be made in accordance with this Section. If the Member's interest is distributed in the form of an annuity purchased from an insurance company, distributions thereunder will be made in accordance with the requirements of Section 401(a)(9) of the Code and Treasury regulations. Any part of the Member's interest which is in the form of an individual account described in Section 414(k) of the Code will be distributed in a manner satisfying the requirements of Section 401(a)(9) of the Code and Treasury regulations that apply to individual accounts.

- 3. Determination of Amount to be Distributed Each Year.
  - A. <u>General Requirements</u>. If the Member's interest is paid in the form of annuity distributions under the Plan, payments under the annuity will satisfy the following requirements:
    - (1) The annuity distributions will be paid in periodic payments made at intervals not longer than one year.
    - (2) The Member's entire interest must be distributed pursuant to Section 6, Section 7, Section 9, or Section 10 (as applicable) and in any event over a period equal to or less than the Member's life or the lives of the Member and a designated beneficiary, or over a period not extending beyond the life expectancy of the Member or of the Member and a designated beneficiary. The life expectancy of the Member, the Member's spouse, or the Member's beneficiary may not be recalculated after the initial determination for purposes of determining benefits.
  - B. Amount Required to be Distributed by Required Beginning Date. The amount that must be distributed on or before the Member's required beginning date (or, if the Member dies before distributions begin, the date distributions are required to begin under Section 7.) is the payment that is required for one payment interval. The second payment need not be made until the end of the next payment interval even if that payment interval ends in the next calendar year. Payment intervals are the periods for which payments are received, e.g., monthly. All of the Member's benefit accruals as of the last day of the first distribution calendar year will be included in the calculation of the amount of the annuity payments for payment intervals ending on or after the Member's required beginning date.

C. Additional Accruals After First Distribution Calendar Year. Any additional benefits accruing to the Member in a calendar year after the first distribution calendar year will be distributed beginning with the first payment interval ending in the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which such amount accrues.

#### 4. General Distribution Rules.

- A. The amount of an annuity paid to a Member's beneficiary may not exceed the maximum determined under the incidental death benefit requirement of Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(9)(G), and effective for any annuity commencing on or after January 1, 2008, the minimum distribution incidental benefit rule under Treasury Regulation Section 1.401(a)(9)-6, Q&A-2.
- B. The death and disability benefits provided by the Plan are limited by the incidental benefit rule set forth in Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a)(9)(G) and Treasury Regulation Section 1.401-1(b)(1)(I) or any successor regulation thereto. As a result, the total death or disability benefits payable may not exceed 25% of the cost for all of the Members' benefits received from the retirement system.

## 5. Definitions.

- A. <u>Designated Beneficiary</u>. The individual who is designated as the beneficiary under the Plan and is the designated beneficiary under Section 40l(a)(9) of the Code and Section 1.401(a)(9)-1, Q&A-4, of the Treasury regulations.
- B. <u>Distribution Calendar Year</u>. A calendar year for which a minimum distribution is required. For distributions beginning before the Member's death, the first distribution calendar year is the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year which contains the Member's required beginning date. For distributions beginning after the Member's death, the first

distribution calendar year is the calendar year in which distributions are required to begin pursuant to Section 7.

**SECTION 8**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by amending Section 16, Miscellaneous Provisions, to read as follows:

# **SECTION 16. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.**

#### 1. Interest of Members in System.

All assets of the Fund are held in trust, and at no time prior to the satisfaction of all liabilities under the System with respect to Retirees and Members and their Spouses or Beneficiaries, shall any part of the corpus or income of the Fund be used for or diverted to any purpose other than for their exclusive benefit.

# 2. No Reduction of Accrued Benefits.

No amendment or ordinance shall be adopted by the City Commission of the City of Leesburg which shall have the effect of reducing the then vested accrued benefits of Members or a Member's Beneficiaries.

## 3. Qualification of System.

It is intended that the System will constitute a qualified public pension plan under the applicable provisions of the Code for a qualified plan under Code Section 401(a) and a governmental plan under Code Section 414(d), as now in effect or hereafter amended. Any modification or amendment of the System may be made retroactively, if necessary or appropriate, to qualify or maintain the System as a Plan meeting the requirements of the applicable provisions of the Code as now in effect or hereafter amended, or any other applicable provisions of the U.S. federal tax laws, as now in effect or hereafter amended or adopted, and the regulations issued thereunder.

# 4. Use of Forfeitures.

Forfeitures arising from terminations of service of Members shall serve only to reduce future City contributions.

# 5. Prohibited Transactions.

Effective as of January 1, 1989, a Board may not engage in a transaction prohibited by Internal Revenue Code Section 503(b).

## 6. USERRA.

Effective December 12, 1994, notwithstanding any other provision of this System, contributions, benefits and service credit with respect to qualified military service are governed by Internal Revenue Code Section 414(u) and the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, as amended. To the extent that the definition of "Credited Service" sets forth contribution requirements that are more favorable to the Member than the minimum compliance requirements, the more favorable provisions shall apply.

# 7. Vesting.

- A. Member will be 100% vested in all benefits upon attainment of the Plan's age and service requirements for the Plan's normal retirement benefit; and
- B. A Member will be 100% vested in all accrued benefits, to the extent funded, if the Plan is terminated or experiences a complete discontinuance of employer contributions.

## 8. Electronic Forms.

In those circumstances where a written election or consent is not required by the Plan or the Internal Revenue Code, an oral, electronic, or telephonic form in lieu of or in addition to a written form may be prescribed by the Board. However, where applicable, the Board shall comply with Treas. Reg. § 1.401(a)-21.

**SECTION 9**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by amending Section 17, Repeal or Termination of System, subsection 3., to read as follows:

3. The following shall be the order of priority for purposes of allocating the assets of the System as of the date of repeal of this ordinance, or if contributions to the System are discontinued with the date of such discontinuation being determined by the Board.

- A. Apportionment shall first be made in respect of each Retiree receiving a retirement or disability benefit hereunder on such date, each person receiving a benefit on such date on account of a retired or disabled (but since deceased) Member, and each Member who has, by such date, become eligible for normal retirement but has not yet retired, an amount which is the Actuarial Equivalent of such benefit, provided that, if such asset value be less than the aggregate of such amounts, such amounts shall be proportionately reduced so that the aggregate of such reduced amounts will be equal to such asset value.
- B. If there be any asset value remaining after the apportionment under subparagraph A, apportionment shall next be made in respect of each Member in the service of the City on such date who is vested and who is not entitled to an apportionment under subparagraph A, in the amount required to provide the Actuarial Equivalent of the vested portion of the accrued normal retirement benefit (but not less than Accumulated Contributions, if any), based on the Credited Service and Average Final Compensation as of such date, and each vested former Member then entitled to a deferred benefit who has not, by such date, begun receiving benefit payments, in the amount required to provide said Actuarial Equivalent of the vested portion of the accrued normal retirement benefit (but not less than Accumulated Contributions, if any), provided that, if such remaining asset value be less than the aggregate of the amounts apportioned hereunder, such latter amounts shall be proportionately reduced so that the aggregate of such reduced amounts will be equal to such remaining asset value.
- C. If there be any asset value after the apportionments under subparagraphs A and B, apportionment shall be made in respect of each Member in the service of the City on such date who is not entitled to an apportionment under subparagraphs A and B in the amount equal to Member's Accumulated Contributions, if any, provided that, if such remaining asset value be less than

- the aggregate of the amounts apportioned hereunder such latter amount shall be proportionately reduced so that the aggregate of such reduced amounts will be equal to such remaining asset value.
- D. If there be any asset value remaining after the apportionments under subparagraphs A, B, and C, apportionment shall lastly be made in respect of each Member included in subparagraph C above to the extent of the Actuarial Equivalent of the non-vested accrued normal retirement benefit, less the amount apportioned in subparagraph C, based on the Credited Service and Average Final Compensation as of such date, provided that, if such remaining asset value be less than the aggregate of the amounts apportioned hereunder, such amounts shall be reduced so that the aggregate of such reduced amounts will be equal to such remaining asset value.
- E. In the event that there be asset value remaining after the full apportionment specified in subparagraphs A, B, C, and D, such excess shall be returned to the City.

The allocation of the Fund provided for in this subsection may, as decided by the Board, be carried out through the purchase of insurance company contracts to provide the benefits determined in accordance with this subsection. The Fund may be distributed in one (1) sum to the persons entitled to said benefits or the distribution may be carried out in such other equitable manner as the Board may direct. The Fund may be continued in existence for purposes of subsequent distributions.

**SECTION 10**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by amending Section 20, Forfeiture of Pension, subsection 1., to read as follows:

- 1. Any Member who is convicted of the following offenses committed prior to Retirement, or whose employment is terminated by reason of his admitted commission, aid or abetment of the following specified offenses, shall forfeit all rights and benefits under this System, except for the return of his Accumulated Contributions, if any, but without interest if applicable, as of the date of termination. Specified offenses are as follows:
  - A. The committing, aiding or abetting of an embezzlement of public funds;
  - B. The committing, aiding or abetting of any theft by a public officer or employee from employer;
  - C. Bribery in connection with the employment of a public officer or employee;
  - D. Any felony specified in Chapter 838, Florida Statutes;
  - E. The committing of an impeachable offense;
  - F. The committing of any felony by a public officer or employee who willfully and with intent to defraud the public or the public agency, for which he acts or in which he is employed, of the right to receive the faithful performance of his duty as a public officer or employee, realizes or obtains or attempts to obtain a profit, gain, or advantage for himself or for some other person through the use or attempted use of the power, rights, privileges, duties or position of his public office or employment position; or
  - G. The committing on or after October 1, 2008, of any felony defined in Section 800.04, Florida Statutes, against a victim younger than sixteen (16) years of age, or any felony defined in Chapter 794, Florida Statutes, against a victim younger than eighteen (18) years of age, by a public officer or employee through the use or attempted use of power, rights, privileges, duties, or position of his or her public office or employment position.

**SECTION 11**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by amending Section 22, Direct Transfers of Eligible Rollover Distributions, to read as follows:

# SECTION 22. DIRECT TRANSFERS OF ELIGIBLE ROLLOVER DISTRIBUTIONS; ELIMINATION OF MANDATORY DISTRIBUTIONS.

#### 1. Rollover Distributions.

#### A. General.

This Section applies to distributions made on or after January 1, 2002. Notwithstanding any provision of the System to the contrary that would otherwise limit a distributee's election under this Section, a distributee may elect, at the time and in the manner prescribed by the Board, to have any portion of an eligible rollover distribution paid directly to an eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee in a direct rollover.

### B. Definitions.

(1) Eligible Rollover Distribution: An eligible rollover distribution is any distribution of all or any portion of the balance to the credit of the distributee, except that an eligible rollover distribution does not include: any distribution that is one of a series of substantially equal periodic payments (not less frequently than annually) made for the life (or life expectancy) of the distributee or the joint lives (or joint life expectancies) of the distributee and the distributee's designated Beneficiary, or for a specified period of ten (10) years or more; any distribution to the extent such distribution is required under section 401(a)(9) of the Code and the portion of any distribution that is not includible in gross income. Effective January 1, 2002, any portion of any distribution which would be includible in gross income as after-tax employee contributions will be an eligible rollover distribution if the distribution is made to an individual retirement account described

in section 408(a); to an individual retirement annuity described in section 408(b); to a qualified defined contribution plan described in section 401(a) or 403(a) that agrees to separately account for amounts so transferred (and earnings thereon), including separately accounting for the portion of such distribution which is includible in gross income and the portion of such distribution which is not so includible; or on or after January 1, 2007, to a qualified defined benefit plan described in Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a) or to an annuity contract described in Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b), that agrees to separately account for amounts so transferred (and earnings thereon), including separately accounting for the portion of the distribution that is includible in gross income and the portion of the distribution that is not so includible.

Eligible Retirement Plan: An eligible retirement plan is an individual retirement account described in section 408(a) of the Code; an individual retirement annuity described in section 408(b) of the Code; an annuity plan described in section 403(a) of the Code; effective January 1, 2002, an eligible deferred compensation plan described in section 457(b) of the Code which is maintained by an eligible employer described in section 457(e)(1)(A) of the Code and which agrees to separately account for amounts transferred into such plan from this plan; effective January 1, 2002, an annuity contract described in section 403(b) of the Code; a qualified trust described in section 401(a) of the Code; or effective January 1, 2008, a Roth IRA described in Section 408A of the Code, that accepts the distributee's eligible rollover distribution. This definition shall apply in the case of an eligible rollover distribution to the surviving Spouse.

- (3) <u>Distributee</u>: A distributee includes an employee or former employee. In addition, the employee's or former employee's surviving Spouse is a distributee with regard to the interest of the Spouse.
- (4) <u>Direct Rollover</u>: A direct rollover is a payment by the plan to the eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee.

# 2. Rollovers or Transfers into the Fund.

On or after January 1, 2002, the System will accept, solely for the purpose of purchasing Credited Service as provided herein, permissible Member requested transfers of funds from other retirement or pension plans, Member rollover cash contributions and/or direct cash rollovers of distributions made on or after January 1, 2002, as follows:

- A. Transfers and Direct Rollovers or Member Rollover Contributions from Other Plans. The System will accept either a direct rollover of an eligible rollover distribution or a Member contribution of an eligible rollover distribution from a qualified plan described in section 401(a) or 403(a) of the Code, from an annuity contract described in section 403(b) of the Code or from an eligible plan under section 457(b) of the Code which is maintained by a state, political subdivision of a state, or any agency or instrumentality of a state or political subdivision of a state. The System will also accept legally permissible Member requested transfers of funds from other retirement or pension plans.
- B. <u>Member Rollover Contributions from IRAs</u>. The system will accept a Member rollover contribution of the portion of a distribution from an individual retirement account or annuity described in section 408(a) or 408(b) of the Code that is eligible to be rolled over.

## 3. Elimination of Mandatory Distributions.

Notwithstanding any other provision herein to the contrary, in the event this Plan provides for a mandatory (involuntary) cash distribution from the Plan not otherwise required by law, for an amount in excess of one-thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), such distribution shall be made from

the Plan only upon written request of the Member and completion by the Member of a written election on forms designated by the Board, to either receive a cash lump sum or to rollover the lump sum amount.

**SECTION 12**: That Ordinance No. 03-57, adopting the amended and restated City of Leesburg Retirement Plan for General Employees, as subsequently amended, is further amended by deleting Section 24, Separation from Employment for Military Service, in its entirety.

**SECTION 13**: Specific authority is hereby granted to codify and incorporate this Ordinance in the existing Code of Ordinances of the City of Leesburg.

**SECTION 14**: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 15**: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase of this ordinance, or the particular application thereof shall be held invalid by any court, administrative agency, or other body with appropriate jurisdiction, the remaining section, subsection, sentences, clauses, or phrases under application shall not be affected thereby.

**SECTION 16**: That this Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LEESBURG, FLORIDA, HELD ON THE 12TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2009.

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